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AMENDMENT

In connection with the filing of the "Request for Continued Examination" (RCE) submitted herewith, please amend the application as follows:

REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH(S), SECTION(S) AND CLAIM(S): In the Claims:

Claims 1 through 31 are pending.

Claims 32 through 38 have been cancelled without prejudice as being drawn to a non-elected embodiment.

Please add the following claims:

2739. A method of applying polyacrylamide (PAM) for stabilizing soil particles of a land area from erosive movement about the land area, the method comprising;